# RE: MQv2-16655 - Interview Request - CANSOFCOM - Protests - Comd Interview - [redacted] - Ottawa Citizen

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Hello, Bonjour

Please acknowledge receipt of this request and establish initial contact with the reporter. Veuillez accuser réception de cette requête et établir un premier contact avec le journaliste.

Thank you, merci

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**Deadline:**
2/11/2022 5:00:00 PM

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**Query Details:**

Reporter is following-up on JTF2/DHTC and the presence of anti-vaxxers and individuals who have voiced anti-government/anti-Trudeau views.

Reporter is seeking an interview with MGen Boivin on "how and why this situation was allowed to develop. You have some of my initial questions (re social media policy, etc) but additional questions for MGen. Boivin would focus on his reasoning not to bring charges against these individuals and whether the government/military can trust members of JTF2 who voice anti-Trudeau/anti-vaccine statement to do their jobs if called upon in day-to-day operations or in a national emergency."

Reporter adds that his deadline is Friday at 5 p.m. eastern and he can "make myself available any time MGen. Boivin is ready for his interview."

Additional information from the reporter:

Canadian Forces members allege that at least 10 serving members of Joint Task Force 2/CANSOFCOM (names removed) are publicly and actively taking part in the convoy demonstrators in downtown Ottawa and pushing anti-government/anti vaccine messages. In another case a member of CANSOFCOM has provided supplies to convoy protesters.

The multiple Canadian Forces members who have contacted our newspaper to warn about this situation also allege that assaulters such as (names removed) have openly condemned Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the Liberal government for both his vaccination policies and his gun control laws.

They also allege that the senior command of CANSOFCOM and JTF2 have done nothing about this situation and while soldiers like Alexander are leaving JTF2 because of medical reasons, no disciplinary action has been taken.

**Response:**

**Lead:**
CANSOFCOM

**Action:**

**Info:**
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